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## ASSEMBLY BILL

**No. 1758**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Patterson**

February 14, 2014

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An act to amend Sections 1724, 1944, 2435, 2538.57, 2570.16, 2688, 2987, 4842.5, 4905, 4970, and 5604 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1758, as amended, Patterson. Healing arts: initial license fees: proration.

Existing law provides for the regulation and licensure of various professions and vocations. Existing law requires that licenses issued to certain licensees, including, among others, architects, acupuncturists, dental hygienists, dentists, occupational therapists, physical therapists, physicians and surgeons, psychologists, and veterinarians, expire at 12 ~~midnight~~ *a.m.* on either the last day of the birth month of the licensee or at 12 ~~midnight~~ *a.m.* of the legal birth date of the licensee during the ~~second~~ *2nd* year of a ~~two-year~~ *2-year* term if not renewed.

This bill would require that the fee for an initial temporary or permanent license, or an original license, as specified, imposed pursuant to these provisions be prorated on a monthly basis, *but would authorize a board or committee, as applicable, to impose an additional fee to cover the reasonable costs of issuing an initial or original license that expires in less than 12 months, as specified. The bill would limit the*

*total amount of the prorated fee and the additional fee imposed for an initial or original license that expires in less than 12 months to  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the fee for an initial or original license, as specified.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 1724 of the Business and Professions  
2 Code is amended to read:

3 1724. The amount of charges and fees for dentists licensed  
4 pursuant to this chapter shall be established by the board as is  
5 necessary for the purpose of carrying out the responsibilities  
6 required by this chapter as it relates to dentists, subject to the  
7 following limitations:

8 (a) The fee for application for examination shall not exceed five  
9 hundred dollars (\$500).

10 (b) The fee for application for reexamination shall not exceed  
11 one hundred dollars (\$100).

12 (c) The fee for examination and for reexamination shall not  
13 exceed eight hundred dollars (\$800). Applicants who are found to  
14 be ineligible to take the examination shall be entitled to a refund  
15 in an amount fixed by the board.

16 (d) The fee for an initial license and for the renewal of a license  
17 shall not exceed four hundred fifty dollars (\$450). The fee for an  
18 initial license shall be prorated on a monthly basis. *The board may,*  
19 *however, with respect to an initial license that expires in less than*  
20 *12 months, impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the*  
21 *reasonable costs of issuing the license if the board makes a*  
22 *determination in writing that the prorated fee for the initial license*  
23 *is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license*  
24 *and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The*  
25 *total amount of the prorated initial license fee and any additional*  
26 *fee imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision for an initial*  
27 *license that expires in less than 12 months shall not exceed two*  
28 *hundred twenty-five dollars (\$225).*

29 (e) The fee for a special permit shall not exceed three hundred  
30 dollars (\$300), and the renewal fee for a special permit shall not  
31 exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

1 (f) The delinquency fee shall be the amount prescribed by  
2 Section 163.5.

3 (g) The penalty for late registration of change of place of  
4 practice shall not exceed seventy-five dollars (\$75).

5 (h) The application fee for permission to conduct an additional  
6 place of practice shall not exceed two hundred dollars (\$200).

7 (i) The renewal fee for an additional place of practice shall not  
8 exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

9 (j) The fee for issuance of a substitute certificate shall not exceed  
10 one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125).

11 (k) The fee for a provider of continuing education shall not  
12 exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per year.

13 (l) The fee for application for a referral service permit and for  
14 renewal of that permit shall not exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25).

15 (m) The fee for application for an extramural facility permit  
16 and for the renewal of a permit shall not exceed twenty-five dollars  
17 (\$25).

18 The board shall report to the appropriate fiscal committees of  
19 each house of the Legislature whenever the board increases any  
20 fee pursuant to this section and shall specify the rationale and  
21 justification for that increase.

22 SEC. 2. Section 1944 of the Business and Professions Code is  
23 amended to read:

24 1944. (a) The committee shall establish by resolution the  
25 amount of the fees that relate to the licensing of a registered dental  
26 hygienist, a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice, and  
27 a registered dental hygienist in extended functions. The fees  
28 established by board resolution in effect on June 30, 2009, as they  
29 relate to the licensure of registered dental hygienists, registered  
30 dental hygienists in alternative practice, and registered dental  
31 hygienists in extended functions, shall remain in effect until  
32 modified by the committee. The fees are subject to the following  
33 limitations:

34 (1) The application fee for an original license and the fee for  
35 the issuance of an original license shall not exceed two hundred  
36 fifty dollars (\$250). The fee for the issuance of an original license  
37 shall be prorated on a monthly basis. *The committee may, however,*  
38 *with respect to an original license that expires in less than 12*  
39 *months, impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the reasonable*  
40 *costs of issuing the original license if the committee makes a*

*determination in writing that the fee for the original license is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The total amount of the prorated original license fee and any additional fee imposed by the committee pursuant to this paragraph for an original license that expires in less than 12 months shall not exceed one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125).*

(2) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental hygienist shall not exceed the actual cost of the examination.

(3) For third- and fourth-year dental students, the fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental hygienist shall not exceed the actual cost of the examination.

(4) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental hygienist in extended functions shall not exceed the actual cost of the examination.

(5) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice shall not exceed the actual cost of administering the examination.

(6) The biennial renewal fee shall not exceed one hundred sixty dollars (\$160).

(7) The delinquency fee shall not exceed one-half of the renewal fee. Any delinquent license may be restored only upon payment of all fees, including the delinquency fee, and compliance with all other applicable requirements of this article.

(8) The fee for issuance of a duplicate license to replace one that is lost or destroyed, or in the event of a name change, shall not exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25) or one-half of the renewal fee, whichever is greater.

(9) The fee for certification of licensure shall not exceed one-half of the renewal fee.

(10) The fee for each curriculum review and site evaluation for educational programs for dental hygienists who are not accredited by a committee-approved agency shall not exceed two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,100).

(11) The fee for each review of courses required for licensure that are not accredited by a committee-approved agency, the Council for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education, or the Chancellor's Office of the California Community Colleges shall not exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

1 (12) The initial application and biennial fee for a provider of  
2 continuing education shall not exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).

3 (13) The amount of fees payable in connection with permits  
4 issued under Section 1962 is as follows:

5 (A) The initial permit fee is an amount equal to the renewal fee  
6 for the applicant's license to practice dental hygiene in effect on  
7 the last regular renewal date before the date on which the permit  
8 is issued.

9 (B) If the permit will expire less than one year after its issuance,  
10 then the initial permit fee is an amount equal to 50 percent of the  
11 renewal fee in effect on the last regular renewal date before the  
12 date on which the permit is issued.

13 (b) The renewal and delinquency fees shall be fixed by the  
14 committee by resolution at not more than the current amount of  
15 the renewal fee for a license to practice under this article nor less  
16 than five dollars (\$5).

17 (c) Fees fixed by the committee by resolution pursuant to this  
18 section shall not be subject to the approval of the Office of  
19 Administrative Law.

20 (d) Fees collected pursuant to this section shall be collected by  
21 the committee and deposited into the State Dental Hygiene Fund,  
22 which is hereby created. All money in this fund shall, upon  
23 appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act, be used  
24 to implement the provisions of this article.

25 (e) No fees or charges other than those listed in this section shall  
26 be levied by the committee in connection with the licensure of  
27 registered dental hygienists, registered dental hygienists in  
28 alternative practice, or registered dental hygienists in extended  
29 functions.

30 (f) The fee for registration of an extramural dental facility shall  
31 not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

32 (g) The fee for registration of a mobile dental hygiene unit shall  
33 not exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150).

34 (h) The biennial renewal fee for a mobile dental hygiene unit  
35 shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

36 (i) The fee for an additional office permit shall not exceed two  
37 hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

38 (j) The biennial renewal fee for an additional office as described  
39 in Section 1926.4 shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

1 (k) The initial application and biennial special permit fee is an  
2 amount equal to the biennial renewal fee specified in paragraph  
3 (6) of subdivision (a).

4 (l) The fees in this section shall not exceed an amount sufficient  
5 to cover the reasonable regulatory cost of carrying out the  
6 provisions of this article.

7 SEC. 3. Section 2435 of the Business and Professions Code is  
8 amended to read:

9 2435. The following fees apply to the licensure of physicians  
10 and surgeons:

11 (a) Each applicant for a certificate based upon a national board  
12 diplomate certificate, each applicant for a certificate based on  
13 reciprocity, and each applicant for a certificate based upon written  
14 examination, shall pay a nonrefundable application and processing  
15 fee, as set forth in subdivision (b), at the time the application is  
16 filed.

17 (b) The application and processing fee shall be fixed by the  
18 board by May 1 of each year, to become effective on July 1 of that  
19 year. The fee shall be fixed at an amount necessary to recover the  
20 actual costs of the licensing program as projected for the fiscal  
21 year commencing on the date the fees become effective.

22 (c) Each applicant who qualifies for a certificate, as a condition  
23 precedent to its issuance, in addition to other fees required herein,  
24 shall pay an initial license fee, if any, in an amount fixed by the  
25 board consistent with this section. The initial license fee shall not  
26 exceed seven hundred ninety dollars (\$790). The initial license fee  
27 shall be prorated on a monthly basis. *The board may, however,*  
28 *with respect to an initial license that expires in less than 12 months,*  
29 *impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs*  
30 *of issuing the license if the board makes a determination in writing*  
31 *that the fee for the initial license is insufficient to cover the*  
32 *reasonable costs of issuing the license and that the additional fee*  
33 *is necessary to cover those costs. The total amount of the prorated*  
34 *initial license fee and any additional fee imposed by the board*  
35 *pursuant to this subdivision for an initial license that expires in*  
36 *less than 12 months shall not exceed three hundred ninety-five*  
37 *dollars (\$395). An applicant enrolled in an approved postgraduate*  
38 *training program shall be required to pay only 50 percent of the*  
39 *initial license fee.*

1 (d) The biennial renewal fee shall be fixed by the board  
2 consistent with this section and shall not exceed seven hundred  
3 ninety dollars (\$790).

4 (e) Notwithstanding subdivisions (c) and (d), and to ensure that  
5 subdivision (k) of Section 125.3 is revenue neutral with regard to  
6 the board, the board may, by regulation, increase the amount of  
7 the initial license fee and the biennial renewal fee by an amount  
8 required to recover both of the following:

9 (1) The average amount received by the board during the three  
10 fiscal years immediately preceding July 1, 2006, as reimbursement  
11 for the reasonable costs of investigation and enforcement  
12 proceedings pursuant to Section 125.3.

13 (2) Any increase in the amount of investigation and enforcement  
14 costs incurred by the board after January 1, 2006, that exceeds the  
15 average costs expended for investigation and enforcement costs  
16 during the three fiscal years immediately preceding July 1, 2006.  
17 When calculating the amount of costs for services for which the  
18 board paid an hourly rate, the board shall use the average number  
19 of hours for which the board paid for those costs over these prior  
20 three fiscal years, multiplied by the hourly rate paid by the board  
21 for those costs as of July 1, 2005. Beginning January 1, 2009, the  
22 board shall instead use the average number of hours for which it  
23 paid for those costs over the three-year period of fiscal years  
24 2005–06, 2006–07, and 2007–08, multiplied by the hourly rate  
25 paid by the board for those costs as of July 1, 2005. In calculating  
26 the increase in the amount of investigation and enforcement costs,  
27 the board shall include only those costs for which it was eligible  
28 to obtain reimbursement under Section 125.3 and shall not include  
29 probation monitoring costs and disciplinary costs, including those  
30 associated with the citation and fine process and those required to  
31 implement subdivision (b) of Section 12529 of the Government  
32 Code.

33 (f) Notwithstanding Section 163.5, the delinquency fee shall be  
34 10 percent of the biennial renewal fee.

35 (g) The duplicate certificate and endorsement fees shall each  
36 be fifty dollars (\$50), and the certification and letter of good  
37 standing fees shall each be ten dollars (\$10).

38 (h) It is the intent of the Legislature that, in setting fees pursuant  
39 to this section, the board shall seek to maintain a reserve in the  
40 Contingent Fund of the Medical Board of California in an amount

1 not less than two nor more than four months' operating  
2 expenditures.

3 (i) Not later than January 1, 2012, the Office of State Audits  
4 and Evaluations within the Department of Finance shall commence  
5 a preliminary review of the board's financial status, including, but  
6 not limited to, its projections related to expenses, revenues, and  
7 reserves, and the impact of the loan from the Contingent Fund of  
8 the Medical Board of California to the General Fund made pursuant  
9 to the Budget Act of 2008. The office shall make the results of this  
10 review available upon request by June 1, 2012. This review shall  
11 be funded from the existing resources of the office during the  
12 2011–12 fiscal year.

13 SEC. 4. Section 2538.57 of the Business and Professions Code  
14 is amended to read:

15 2538.57. The amount of fees and penalties prescribed by this  
16 article shall be those set forth in this section unless a lower fee is  
17 fixed by the board:

18 (a) The fee for applicants applying for the first time for a license  
19 is seventy-five dollars (\$75), which shall not be refunded, except  
20 to applicants who are found to be ineligible to take an examination  
21 for a license. Those applicants are entitled to a refund of fifty  
22 dollars (\$50).

23 (b) The fees for taking or retaking the written and practical  
24 examinations shall be amounts fixed by the board, which shall be  
25 equal to the actual cost of preparing, grading, analyzing, and  
26 administering the examinations.

27 (c) The initial temporary license fee is one hundred dollars  
28 (\$100). The fee for an initial temporary license shall be prorated  
29 on a monthly basis. *The board may, however, with respect to an*  
30 *initial temporary license that expires in less than 12 months,*  
31 *impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs*  
32 *of issuing the initial temporary license if the board makes a*  
33 *determination in writing that the fee for the initial temporary*  
34 *license is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the*  
35 *license and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs.*  
36 *The total amount of the prorated initial temporary license fee and*  
37 *any additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this*  
38 *subdivision for an initial temporary license that expires in less*  
39 *than 12 months shall not exceed fifty dollars (\$50). The fee for*

1 renewal of a temporary license is one hundred dollars (\$100) for  
2 each renewal.

3 (d) The initial permanent license fee is two hundred eighty  
4 dollars (\$280). The fee for an initial permanent license shall be  
5 prorated on a monthly basis. *The board may, however, with respect*  
6 *to an initial permanent license that expires in less than 12 months,*  
7 *impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs*  
8 *of issuing the initial permanent license if the board makes a*  
9 *determination in writing that the fee for the initial permanent*  
10 *license is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the*  
11 *license and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs.*  
12 *The total amount of the prorated initial permanent license fee and*  
13 *any additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this*  
14 *subdivision for an initial permanent license that expires in less*  
15 *than 12 months shall not exceed one hundred forty dollars (\$140).*  
16 The fee for renewal of a permanent license is not more than two  
17 hundred eighty dollars (\$280) for each renewal.

18 (e) The initial branch office license fee is twenty-five dollars  
19 (\$25). The fee for renewal of a branch office license is twenty-five  
20 dollars (\$25) for each renewal.

21 (f) The delinquency fee is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

22 (g) The fee for issuance of a replacement license is twenty-five  
23 dollars (\$25).

24 (h) The continuing education course approval application fee  
25 is fifty dollars (\$50).

26 (i) The fee for official certification of licensure is fifteen dollars  
27 (\$15).

28 SEC. 5. Section 2570.16 of the Business and Professions Code  
29 is amended to read:

30 2570.16. Initial license and renewal fees shall be established  
31 by the board in an amount that does not exceed ~~a ceiling of~~ one  
32 hundred fifty dollars (\$150) per year. The initial license fee shall  
33 be prorated on a monthly basis. *The board may, however, with*  
34 *respect to an initial license that expires in less than 12 months,*  
35 *impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs*  
36 *of issuing the initial license if the board makes a determination in*  
37 *writing that the fee for the initial license is insufficient to cover*  
38 *the reasonable costs of issuing the initial license and that the*  
39 *additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The total amount*  
40 *of the prorated initial license fee and any additional fee imposed*

1 *by the board pursuant to this section, excluding the fees described*  
2 *in subdivisions (a) to (d), inclusive, for an initial license that*  
3 *expires in less than 12 months shall not exceed seventy-five dollars*  
4 *(\$75). The board shall establish the following additional fees:*

- 5 (a) An application fee not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50).
- 6 (b) A late renewal fee as provided for in Section 2570.10.
- 7 (c) A limited permit fee.
- 8 (d) A fee to collect fingerprints for criminal history record
- 9 checks.

10 SEC. 6. Section 2688 of the Business and Professions Code is  
11 amended to read:

12 2688. The amount of fees assessed in connection with licenses  
13 issued under this chapter is as follows:

14 (a) (1) The fee for an application for licensure as a physical  
15 therapist submitted to the board prior to March 1, 2009, shall be  
16 seventy-five dollars (\$75). The fee for an application submitted  
17 under Section 2653 to the board prior to March 1, 2009, shall be  
18 one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125).

19 (2) The fee for an application for licensure as a physical therapist  
20 submitted to the board on or after March 1, 2009, shall be one  
21 hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125). The fee for an application  
22 submitted under Section 2653 to the board on or after March 1,  
23 2009, shall be two hundred dollars (\$200).

24 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may  
25 decrease or increase the amount of an application fee under this  
26 subdivision to an amount that does not exceed the cost of  
27 administering the application process, but in no event shall the  
28 application fee amount exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

29 (b) The examination and reexamination fees for the physical  
30 therapist examination, physical therapist assistant examination,  
31 and the examination to demonstrate knowledge of the California  
32 rules and regulations related to the practice of physical therapy  
33 shall be the actual cost to the board of the development and writing  
34 of, or purchase of, the examination, and grading of each written  
35 examination, plus the actual cost of administering each  
36 examination. The board, at its discretion, may require the licensure  
37 applicant to pay the fee for the examinations required by Section  
38 2636 directly to the organization conducting the examination.

39 (c) (1) The fee for a physical therapist license issued prior to  
40 March 1, 2009, shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75).

1 (2) The fee for a physical therapist license issued on or after  
2 March 1, 2009, shall be one hundred dollars (\$100).

3 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may  
4 decrease or increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision  
5 to an amount that does not exceed the cost of administering the  
6 process to issue the license, but in no event shall the fee to issue  
7 the license exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150).

8 (4) The fee assessed pursuant to this subdivision for an initial  
9 physical therapist license issued on or after January 1, 2015, shall  
10 be prorated on a monthly basis. *The board may, however, with*  
11 *respect to an initial physical therapist license that expires in less*  
12 *than 12 months, impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the*  
13 *reasonable costs of issuing the license if the board makes a*  
14 *determination in writing that the fee for the initial license is*  
15 *insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license and*  
16 *that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The total*  
17 *amount of the prorated initial physical therapist license fee and*  
18 *any additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this paragraph*  
19 *for an initial physical therapist license that expires in less than 12*  
20 *months shall not exceed seventy-five dollars (\$75).*

21 (d) (1) The fee to renew a physical therapist license that expires  
22 prior to April 1, 2009, shall be one hundred fifty dollars (\$150).

23 (2) The fee to renew a physical therapist license that expires on  
24 or after April 1, 2009, shall be two hundred dollars (\$200).

25 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may  
26 decrease or increase the amount of the renewal fee under this  
27 subdivision to an amount that does not exceed the cost of the  
28 renewal process, but in no event shall the renewal fee amount  
29 exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

30 (e) (1) The fee for application and for issuance of a physical  
31 therapist assistant license shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75) for  
32 an application submitted to the board prior to March 1, 2009.

33 (2) The fee for application and for issuance of a physical  
34 therapist assistant license shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars  
35 (\$125) for an application submitted to the board on or after March  
36 1, 2009. The fee for an application submitted under Section 2653  
37 to the board on or after March 1, 2009, shall be two hundred dollars  
38 (\$200).

39 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may  
40 decrease or increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision

1 to an amount that does not exceed the cost of administering the  
2 application process, but in no event shall the application fee amount  
3 exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

4 (f) (1) The fee to renew a physical therapist assistant license  
5 that expires prior to April 1, 2009, shall be one hundred fifty dollars  
6 (\$150).

7 (2) The fee to renew a physical therapist assistant license that  
8 expires on or after April 1, 2009, shall be two hundred dollars  
9 (\$200).

10 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may  
11 decrease or increase the amount of the renewal fee under this  
12 subdivision to an amount that does not exceed the cost of the  
13 renewal process, but in no event shall the renewal fee amount  
14 exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

15 (g) Notwithstanding Section 163.5, the delinquency fee shall  
16 be 50 percent of the renewal fee in effect.

17 (h) (1) The duplicate wall certificate fee shall be fifty dollars  
18 (\$50). The duplicate renewal receipt fee amount shall be fifty  
19 dollars (\$50).

20 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the board may decrease or  
21 increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision to an amount  
22 that does not exceed the cost of issuing duplicates, but in no event  
23 shall that fee exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

24 (i) (1) The endorsement or letter of good standing fee shall be  
25 sixty dollars (\$60).

26 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the board may decrease or  
27 increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision to an amount  
28 that does not exceed the cost of issuing an endorsement or letter,  
29 but in no event shall the fee amount exceed one hundred dollars  
30 (\$100).

31 SEC. 7. Section 2987 of the Business and Professions Code is  
32 amended to read:

33 2987. The amount of the fees prescribed by this chapter shall  
34 be determined by the board, and shall be as follows:

35 (a) The application fee for a psychologist shall not be more than  
36 fifty dollars (\$50).

37 (b) The examination and reexamination fees for the  
38 examinations shall be the actual cost to the board of developing,  
39 purchasing, and grading of each examination, plus the actual cost  
40 to the board of administering each examination.

1 (c) The initial license fee is an amount equal to the renewal fee  
2 in effect on the last regular renewal date before the date on which  
3 the license is issued. The initial license fee shall be prorated on a  
4 monthly basis. *The board may, however, with respect to an initial*  
5 *license that expires in less than 12 months, impose an additional*  
6 *fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license*  
7 *if the board makes a determination in writing that the fee for the*  
8 *initial license is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing*  
9 *the license and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those*  
10 *costs. The total amount of the prorated initial license fee and any*  
11 *additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision*  
12 *for an initial license that expires in less than 12 months shall not*  
13 *exceed one-half of the initial licensure fee.*

14 (d) The biennial renewal fee for a psychologist shall be four  
15 hundred dollars (\$400). The board may increase the renewal fee  
16 to an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).

17 (e) The application fee for registration and supervision of a  
18 psychological assistant by a supervisor under Section 2913, which  
19 is payable by that supervisor, shall not be more than seventy-five  
20 dollars (\$75).

21 (f) The annual renewal fee for registration of a psychological  
22 assistant shall not be more than seventy-five dollars (\$75).

23 (g) The duplicate license or registration fee is five dollars (\$5).

24 (h) The delinquency fee is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

25 (i) The endorsement fee is five dollars (\$5).

26 Notwithstanding any other law, the board may reduce any fee  
27 prescribed by this section, when, in its discretion, the board deems  
28 it administratively appropriate.

29 SEC. 8. Section 4842.5 of the Business and Professions Code  
30 is amended to read:

31 4842.5. The amount of fees prescribed by this article is that  
32 fixed by the following schedule:

33 (a) The fee for filing an application for examination shall be set  
34 by the board in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary  
35 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purposes of this chapter,  
36 not to exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

37 (b) The fee for the California registered veterinary technician  
38 examination shall be set by the board in an amount it determines  
39 is reasonably necessary to provide sufficient funds to carry out the  
40 purposes of this chapter, not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

(c) The initial registration fee shall be set by the board at not more than three hundred fifty dollars (\$350) and shall be prorated on a monthly basis. *The board may, however, with respect to an initial registration that expires in less than 12 months, impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs of registration if the board makes a determination in writing that the fee for the initial registration is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of registration and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The total amount of the prorated initial registration fee and any additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision for an initial registration that expires in less than 12 months shall not exceed one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175).* The board may adopt regulations to provide for the waiver or refund of the initial registration fee when the registration is issued less than 45 days before the date on which it will expire.

(d) The biennial renewal fee shall be set by the board at not more than three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

(e) The delinquency fee shall be set by the board at not more than fifty dollars (\$50).

(f) Any charge made for duplication or other services shall be set at the cost of rendering the services.

(g) The fee for filing an application for approval of a school or institution offering a curriculum for training registered veterinary technicians pursuant to Section 4843 shall be set by the board at an amount not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300). The school or institution shall also pay for the actual costs of an onsite inspection conducted by the board pursuant to Section 2065.6 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, including, but not limited to, the travel, food, and lodging expenses incurred by an inspection team sent by the board.

(h) The fee for failure to report a change in the mailing address is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

SEC. 9. Section 4905 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4905. The following fees shall be collected by the board and shall be credited to the Veterinary Medical Board Contingent Fund:

(a) The fee for filing an application for examination shall be set by the board in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary

1 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter,  
2 not to exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

3 (b) The fee for the California state board examination shall be  
4 set by the board in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary  
5 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter,  
6 not to exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

7 (c) The fee for the Veterinary Medicine Practice Act  
8 examination shall be set by the board in an amount it determines  
9 reasonably necessary to provide sufficient funds to carry out the  
10 purpose of this chapter, not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

11 (d) The initial license fee shall be set by the board not to exceed  
12 five hundred dollars (\$500) and shall be prorated on a monthly  
13 basis. *The board may, however, with respect to an initial license*  
14 *that expires in less than 12 months, impose an additional fee*  
15 *sufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license if the*  
16 *board makes a determination in writing that the fee for the initial*  
17 *license is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the*  
18 *license and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs.*  
19 *The total amount of the prorated initial license fee and any*  
20 *additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision*  
21 *for an initial license that expires in less than 12 months shall not*  
22 *exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).* The board may, by  
23 appropriate regulation, provide for the waiver or refund of the  
24 initial license fee when the license is issued less than 45 days before  
25 the date on which it will expire.

26 (e) The renewal fee shall be set by the board for each biennial  
27 renewal period in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary  
28 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter,  
29 not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).

30 (f) The temporary license fee shall be set by the board in an  
31 amount it determines is reasonably necessary to provide sufficient  
32 funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter, not to exceed two  
33 hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

34 (g) The delinquency fee shall be set by the board, not to exceed  
35 fifty dollars (\$50).

36 (h) The fee for issuance of a duplicate license is twenty-five  
37 dollars (\$25).

38 (i) Any charge made for duplication or other services shall be  
39 set at the cost of rendering the service, except as specified in  
40 subdivision (h).

1 (j) The fee for failure to report a change in the mailing address  
2 is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

3 (k) The initial and annual renewal fees for registration of  
4 veterinary premises shall be set by the board in an amount not to  
5 exceed four hundred dollars (\$400) annually.

6 (l) If the money transferred from the Veterinary Medical Board  
7 Contingent Fund to the General Fund pursuant to the Budget Act  
8 of 1991 is redeposited into the Veterinary Medical Board  
9 Contingent Fund, the fees assessed by the board shall be reduced  
10 correspondingly. However, the reduction shall not be so great as  
11 to cause the Veterinary Medical Board Contingent Fund to have  
12 a reserve of less than three months of annual authorized board  
13 expenditures. The fees set by the board shall not result in a  
14 Veterinary Medical Board Contingent Fund reserve of more than  
15 10 months of annual authorized board expenditures.

16 SEC. 10. Section 4970 of the Business and Professions Code  
17 is amended to read:

18 4970. The amount of fees prescribed for licensed acupuncturists  
19 shall be those set forth in this section unless a lower fee is fixed  
20 by the board in accordance with Section 4972:

21 (a) The application fee shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75).

22 (b) The examination and reexamination fees shall be the actual  
23 cost to the Acupuncture Board for the development and writing  
24 of, grading, and administering of each examination.

25 (c) The initial license fee shall be three hundred twenty-five  
26 dollars (\$325) and shall be prorated on a monthly basis. *The board*  
27 *may, however, with respect to an initial license that expires in less*  
28 *than 12 months, impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the*  
29 *reasonable costs of issuing the license if the board makes a*  
30 *determination in writing that the fee for the initial license is*  
31 *insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license and*  
32 *that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The total*  
33 *amount of the prorated initial license fee and any additional fee*  
34 *imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision for an initial*  
35 *license that expires in less than 12 months shall not exceed one*  
36 *hundred sixty-two dollars and fifty cents (\$162.50).*

37 (d) The renewal fee shall be three hundred twenty-five dollars  
38 (\$325) and in the event a lower fee is fixed by the board, shall be  
39 an amount sufficient to support the functions of the board in the  
40 administration of this chapter. The renewal fee shall be assessed

1 on an annual basis until January 1, 1996, and on and after that date  
2 the board shall assess the renewal fee biennially.

3 (e) The delinquency fee shall be set in accordance with Section  
4 163.5.

5 (f) The application fee for the approval of a school or college  
6 under Section 4939 shall be three thousand dollars (\$3,000).

7 (g) The duplicate wall license fee is an amount equal to the cost  
8 to the board for the issuance of the duplicate license.

9 (h) The duplicate renewal receipt fee is ten dollars (\$10).

10 (i) The endorsement fee is ten dollars (\$10).

11 (j) The fee for a duplicate license for an additional office  
12 location as required under Section 4961 shall be fifteen dollars  
13 (\$15).

14 SEC. 11. Section 5604 of the Business and Professions Code  
15 is amended to read:

16 5604. The fees prescribed by this chapter for architect  
17 applicants or architect licenseholders shall be fixed by the board  
18 as follows:

19 (a) The application fee for reviewing a candidate's eligibility  
20 to take any section of the examination may not exceed one hundred  
21 dollars (\$100).

22 (b) The fee for any section of the examination administered by  
23 the board may not exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

24 (c) The fee for an original license at an amount equal to the  
25 renewal fee in effect at the time the license is issued. The fee for  
26 an original license shall be prorated on a monthly basis. *The board*  
27 *may, however, with respect to an original license that expires in*  
28 *less than 12 months, impose an additional fee sufficient to cover*  
29 *the reasonable costs of issuing the license if the board makes a*  
30 *determination in writing that the fee for the original license is*  
31 *insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license and*  
32 *that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The total*  
33 *amount of the prorated original license fee and any additional fee*  
34 *imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision for an original*  
35 *license that expires in less than 12 months shall not exceed one-half*  
36 *of the original licensure fee.* The board may, by appropriate  
37 regulation, provide for the waiver or refund of the fee for an  
38 original license if the license is issued less than 45 days before the  
39 date on which it will expire.

- 1 (d) The fee for an application for reciprocity may not exceed
- 2 one hundred dollars (\$100).
- 3 (e) The fee for a duplicate license may not exceed twenty-five
- 4 dollars (\$25).
- 5 (f) The renewal fee may not exceed four hundred dollars (\$400).
- 6 (g) The delinquency fee may not exceed 50 percent of the
- 7 renewal fee.
- 8 (h) The fee for a retired license may not exceed the fee
- 9 prescribed in subdivision (c).